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SUBJ: CSCE: NATO CAUCUS ACCEPTS MALTESE AMENDMENT

1. FOLLOWING UNEVENTFUL DAY DURING WHICH NATO DELEGATIONS HAD BEEN RELUCTANT TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON MALTESE AMENDMENT (GENEVA 5449), NATO CAUCUS AFTERNOON OF JULY 12 AGREED TO ACCEPT MALTESE AMENDMENT AS IT STANDS. NATO DELEGATIONS ALL REGRETTED CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE SITUATION AND SEVERAL WILL PROBABLY EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON MALTESE NEGOTIATING TECHNIQUES AT FIRST APPROPRIATE OCCASION. US DEL TOOK LOW PROFILE AND SOUGHT VIEWS OF NATO DELS AS ELEMENT IN REACHING FINAL USG DECISION. NEUTRALS AND WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO ACCEPT MALTESE AMENDMENT AS SOON AS NATO ACCEPTANCE IS MADE KNOWN.

2. CAUCUS HAS NOW AGREED ON SCENARIO FOR ACCEPTANCE OF NEGOTIATING PACKAGE ON MONDAY, JULY 14 TO INCLUDE:

A) REGISTRATION OF MEDITERRANEAN DECLARATION

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INCLUDING MALTESE AMENDMENT;

B) REGISTRATION OF FOLLOW-UP DOCUMENT WITH

NO CHANGES;

C) REGISTRATION OF QUADRIpartite RIGHTS PHRASE

WITH NO CHANGES;

D) CONSENSUS ON CANADIAN PROPOSAL FOR STAGE III

ON JULY 30.

BARRING UNFORESEEN EVENTS THIS SCENARIO SHOULD TAKE PLACE

ON MONDAY, THUS FORMALIZING CSCE AGREEMENT ON STAGE III

TIMING.

3. WE HAVE CONVEYED THIS INFORMATION PRIVATELY TO SOVIET DELE-

GATION; HOWEVER, I HAS BEEN AGREED IN NATO CAUCUS

THAT DECISION ON MALTESE AMENDMENT SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT

BE LEAKED UNTIL MALTESE HAVE BEEN INFORMED ON MONDAY. DALE

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